IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re Patent Application of

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KOBAYASHI, S.

Serial No. 10/632,850

August 4, 2003 Filed:

Title:

MASK PATTERN AND ME

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Examiner: Dinh, P

Date: August 4, 2005

FOR FORMING RESIST PATTERN USING

MASK PATTERN THEREOF

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.

Fees are attached as calculated below:

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Total effective claims after amendment previously paid for 20

(at least 20) =

minus highest number x \$50.00

\$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$

Independent claims after amendment

previously paid for

(at least 3) =

minus highest number x \$200.00

\$0.00 (1201)/\$0.00 (2201) \$

If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add

\$360.00 (1051)/\$180.00 (2051) \$

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One Month Extension \$120.00 (1251)/\$60.00 (2251)

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Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add

\$130.00 (1814)/\$65.00 (2814)

Applicant claims "small entity" status.

☐ Statement filed herewith

Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee

\$180.00 (1806) \$

Assignment Recording Fee

\$40.00 (8021) \$

Other:

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TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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ELECTION UNDER 35 USC §121

In response to the Office Action dated July 7, 2005 holding the subject matter of claims 1-7 to be non-obvious and patentably distinct from that of claim 8, Applicant(s) hereby elect the invention of Group I, (upon which claims 1-7 are readable) for further substantive examination.

This election is made without traverse. However, since a restriction requirement is never proper unless the restricted group of claims is patentably distinct (i.e., inter alia, non-obvious under 35 USC §103) from the elected group of claims, the Examiner is requested to insure that such patentable distinctness is present before proceeding to make the requirement final.

It is respectfully requested that the non-elected claims be retained for use with a possible divisional application.

By:

Respectfully submitted,

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